Old Morgan County Courthouse Bluff City Rd. Somerville Morgan County Alabama

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TOWN OR VICINITY COUNTY STATE Somerville Morgan Alabama HABS NO. HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) AL-861 Old Morgan County Courthouse SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) W side of Bluff City Rd. approximately 0.2 mi. N of intersection with State Hwy. 67 DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1837 SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Oldest extant courthouse in Alabama. STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick on ashlar foundation VAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)

Approx. 50'-4" (five-bay front) x 40'-4", two stories, hipped roof EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Two-stage cupola with octagonal belfry and dome topped by weathervane INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Original Federal-style mantelpieces and chairrails MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Original double stairway and other interior modifications in 1934 with WPA funds. PRESENT CONDITION AND USE OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE PURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) DATE